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TAGS: PINT, EGEN, BU

SUBJECT: PEEV DROPPED AS FIRST VICE MINISTER FOREIGN TRADE

1. CENTRAL PRESS MARCH 25 ANNOUNCED DECISION OF COUNCIL OF MINISTERS TO RELIEVE SIMEON PEEV FROM DUTIES AS FIRST VICE MINISTER FOREIGN TRADE. IN CONVERSATION WITH TECHNOCOMPLEKT, LARGEST FOREIGN TRADE ORGANIZATION IN BULGARIA, MARCH 26 EMBOFF INFORMED THAT PEEV ALSO REMOVED AS DIRECTOR GENERAL THAT ORGANIZATION.

2. COMMENT: WE HAVE NO IDEA AT THIS POINT WHY PEEV FELL INTO WHAT APPEARS DISGRACE. HE WAS POWERFUL FORCE IN FOREIGN TRADE STRUCTURE, WEARING TWO HATS AS VICE MINISTER AND CHIEF OF TECHNOCOMPLEKT. FOLLOWING HIS VISIT TO US IN LATE 1973 HE APPEARED TO TAKE AN ACTIVE PERSONAL INTEREST IN US TRADE AND HAD BEEN SUGGESTED AS BULGARIAN CHAIRMAN OF US-BULGARIAN JOINT COUNCIL UNDER AUSPICES OF TWO CHAMBERS OF COMMERCE.  
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